

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. A method for loading content objects in a content store on a
2 network, the method comprising steps of:
3 waiting for a triggering event;
4 determining if a first origin server is authorized to store content in the
5 content store;
6 loading a first content object from the first origin server onto the content
7 store without a request for the first content object;
8 determining if a second origin server is authorized to store content in the
9 content store; and
10 loading a second content object from the second origin server onto the
11 content store without a request for the second content object.

1 2. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, further comprising a step of determining the popularity of
3 the content object.

1 3. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the performance of the loading steps are
3 conditioned on the waiting step.

1 4. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises at least one of the
3 following steps of waiting for:
4 upstream bandwidth between the first origin server and the content store to
5 fall below a predetermined threshold; and
6 upstream bandwidth between the second origin server and the content store
7 to fall below a predetermined threshold.

1 5. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 upstream bandwidth into the content store to fall below a predetermined threshold.

1 6. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 connection to the network.

1 13. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 upstream bandwidth into the content store to fall below a predetermined threshold.

1 14. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 connection to the network.

1 15. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 upstream bandwidth utilization from a client computer to the content store to fall below a
4 predetermined threshold.

1 16. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for a
3 temporal event.

1 17. A method for loading content objects in a content store on a
2 network, the method comprising steps of:
3 waiting for a triggering event;
4 loading a first plurality of content objects from the first origin server onto
5 the content store without a request for any of the first plurality of content objects; and
6 loading a second plurality of content objects from the second origin server
7 onto the content store without a request for the second plurality of content objects,
8 wherein the performance of the loading steps are conditioned on the waiting step.

1 18. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, further comprising a step of determining the popularity of
3 the content object.

1 19. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, further comprising steps of:
3 determining if a first origin server is authorized to store content in the
4 content store; and

5 determining if a second origin server is authorized to store content in the
6 content store.

1 20. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises at least one of the
3 following steps of waiting for:
4 upstream bandwidth between the first origin server and the content store to
5 fall below a predetermined threshold; and
6 upstream bandwidth between the second origin server and the content store
7 to fall below a predetermined threshold.

1 21. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 upstream bandwidth into the content store to fall below a predetermined threshold.

1 22. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 connection to the network.

1 23. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for
3 upstream bandwidth utilization from a client computer to the content store to fall below a
4 predetermined threshold.

1 24. The method for loading content objects in the content store on the
2 network as recited in claim 1, wherein the waiting step comprises a step of waiting for a
3 temporal event.